

LAST WEEK

IN CONTEST FOR DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTION.

William H. Taft Lacks Only Few of Necessary Numbers—Rest Are in West.

Washington, May 11.—With only another week remaining for the election of delegates to the Republican national convention, the forces supporting the candidacy of Secretary Taft claim that the election of delegates during that time will insure his nomination, and that with the results during the past week, which added 56 votes to the column supporting him, the comment attributed to President Roosevelt in the early part of the week that "Secretary Taft is as good as nominated," has been demonstrated to be accurate.

The total number of delegates to be elected by the national convention is 950, making 491 necessary to a choice. Mr. Taft's managers have asserted that already he has 454 practically pledged to him, counting known friends in the uninstructed list, while the opposition to secretary Taft consists of 496 delegates. Mr. Taft cannot be nominated on the first ballot. Only 134 votes remain to be chosen during the coming week, and it is conceded that the territory in which these delegates will be elected, being mostly in the west, is friendly to Secretary Taft.

Conventions held during the week in Connecticut, Kentucky, Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Wyoming, Michigan and Maine gave to

Secretary Taft fifty-six additional instructed delegates.

It is generally conceded here that the action of the Connecticut state convention in rejecting the suggestions made by the United States senators from that state for an uninstructed delegation, and declining to send Senators Bailey and Brandegee to the convention, but endorsing the candidacy of Secretary Taft, bore out the claims that have been made by Secretary Taft's friends of the growing popularity of his candidacy in New England. Ten delegates from Connecticut are conceded to Secretary Taft. The secretary's friends also won a remarkable victory in Kentucky.

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CORNERSTONE OF NEW HOME

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"There is no work going forward in the world today," Mr. Carnegie concluded, "which good men everywhere should regard with deeper interest and warmer approval than that in which the American republics are now engaged. Hold fast to your great ideal—the American continent dedicated to internal peace. In this sublime labor it thrills me to feel and to repeat that there is no people whose heads and hearts are more fully enlisted than the people of the United States, no ruler who will labor more zealously than the president, no secretary of state who will study more deeply or advise more wisely than he who holds that office today. This work accomplished, to everyone who has contributed to it in the smallest degree there will come the assurance he has lived his life in vain."

The President's Address.

President Roosevelt said: "This is a memorable occasion for all the people of the western hemisphere. The building, the cornerstone of which we lay today, emphasizes by its existence the growing sense of solidarity of interest and aspiration among all the peoples of the new world. It marks our recognition of the need to knit ever closer together all the republics of the western hemisphere, through the kindly bonds of mutual justice, good will, and sympathetic comprehension."

"At the outset, on behalf of all of us I wish to thank Mr. Carnegie for his generous gift—a gift to all the nations of the new world, and therefore pre-eminently fitting as coming from one who has so sincerely striven

for the cause of peace among nations; for while we have yet a long path to tread before we can speak with any certainty of the day when wars shall cease from the earth, we of this western hemisphere, by movements such as that symbolized by this building, have taken great strides toward securing permanent peace among ourselves."

"In the next place, as president of this republic I greet the representatives of all our sister republics to the south of us. In a sense, you are our elder sisters and we the younger people, for you represent a more ancient civilization on this continent than we do. Your fathers, the Spanish and Portuguese explorers, conquerors, lawgivers and commonwealth builders, had founded a flourishing civilization in the tropics and the south temperate zone while all America north of the Rio Grande was still unmapped wilderness. Your people had founded American universities, were building beautiful cities, were laying deep the foundations of future national life, at many different points in the vast territory stretching from the Colorado to the Plata, before the ships of the Frenchman and the Englishman, the Swede and the Hollander, had found permanent havens on the North Atlantic seacoast. For centuries our several civilizations grew each in its own way, but each, sundered from the others. Now we are growing together."

"More and more in the future we shall each give to and get from the others, not merely things of material value, but things that are of worth for the intellectual and spiritual welfare of all of us. In the century that has passed the development of North America has, on the whole, proceeded faster than the development of South America; but in the century that has now opened I believe that no other part of the world will see such extraordinary development in wealth, in population, in all that makes for progress, as will be seen from the northern boundary of Mexico through all Central and South America; and I can assure you that the people of this nation look with the most profound satisfaction upon the great growth that has already taken place in the countries which you represent—a growth alike in political stability and in the material well-being which can only come when there is political stability."

"Our battle fleet has just finished its trip around South America, and I wish to thank the rulers and the peoples of South America and of Mexico for the generous and courteous hospitality which has been shown this fleet on every possible occasion throughout the trip."

"In conclusion, let me speak of another trip, made a couple of years ago by the secretary of state, Elihu Root, the first time in our history the American secretary of state, during his term of office, left the country to visit certain other nations. Mr. Root made the complete tour of South America, traversed Central America, and afterwards visited Mexico. He was everywhere received with the heartiest greeting, a greeting which deeply touched our people, and I wish to say once more how appreciative we are of the reception tendered him."

"His voyage was unique in character and in value. It was undertaken only because we citizens of this republic recognize that our interests are more closely intertwined with the interests of the other peoples of this continent than with those of any other nations. I believe that history will say that though we have had other great secretaries of state, we have had none greater than Elihu Root; and that though in his high office he has done much for the good of his nation and of mankind, yet that his greatest achievement has been the success which has come as the result of his devoted labor to bring closer together all the republics of the new world, and to unite them in the effort to work valiantly for our common betterment, for the material and moral welfare of all who dwell in the western hemisphere."

Brazilian Ambassador.

"There has never been a parallel for the sight which this ceremony of laying of the cornerstone of this building presents; that of twenty-one nations, of different languages, building together a house for their common deliberations."

With these words, as an introduction to an address that mixed prophecy with tribute to President Roosevelt, Secretary of State Root and Andrew Carnegie, Ambassador Joaquin Nabuco, of Brazil, today voiced the attitude of the South American republics in acceptance of the international headquarters here, marked by the erection of the new building for the bureau of American republics.

Declaring that the two Americas form a hemisphere of peace, the ambassador eloquently pictured the spontaneous and irresistible force of national conscience toward a common destiny for all Americans.

"It seems, indeed," he said, "that a decree of providence made the western shore of the Atlantic appear late in history as the chosen land for a great renewal of mankind. From the early days of its colonization, the sentiment sprung in the hearts of all its children that this is really a new world. We feel that we are all sons of Columbus. And it we meet here, it is because we feel also that we are sons of Washington. The new house of the American republics shall be another monument to the founder of American liberty."

"By the loftiness of his ideals, his fairness, his broad sympathies, his ability to weigh the imponderables of international sensibility," said the ambassador, speaking of Secretary Root, "he won the hearts of all our



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Tendering thanks to Andrew Carnegie for his donation, the ambassador paid eloquent tribute to the ironmaster's belief that peace is universal charity.

Facing the president, Ambassador Nabuco said: "No president of the United States will leave in the history of Pan-Americanism a deeper mark than the one you are cutting from ocean to ocean, to change the sea routes of the world so as to bring nearer together the peoples and cities on the two fronts of our continent."

"You have spoken, Mr. President, of the other states of this continent in a manner that shall cause intense satisfaction among them, and for which they certainly will feel greatly indebted to you and to your nation. With their admiration for your mighty country and the pace of its progress never equalled before, they all bring into this union their pride of their Latin inheritance, of which there is no better evidence than their desire to speak English."

Secretary of State Root said:

"Mr. President and Gentlemen: 'We are here to lay the cornerstone of the building which is to be the home of the international union of American republics.'

"The wise liberality of the congress of the United States has provided the means for the purchase of this tract of land—five acres in extent—near the white house and the great executive departments, bounded on every side by public streets and facing to the east and south upon public parks which it will always be the care of the national government to render continually more beautiful in execution of its design to make the national capital an object of national pride and a source of that pleasure which comes to rich and poor alike from the education of taste."

"The public spirit and enthusiasm for the good of humanity which have inspired an American citizen, Mr. Andrew Carnegie, in his administration of a great fortune, have led him to devote the adequate and ample sum of three-quarters of a million dollars to the construction of the building."

"Into the appropriate adornment and fitting of the edifice will go the contributions of every American republic, already pledged and, in a great measure, already paid into the fund of the union."

"The international union for which the building is erected is a voluntary association, the members of which are all the American nations from Cape Horn to the Great Lakes. It had its origin in the first Pan-American conference held at Washington in 1889, and it has been developed and improved in efficiency under the resolutions of the succeeding conferences in Mexico and Brazil. Its primary object is to break down the barriers of mutual ignorance between the nations of America by collecting and making accessible, furnishing and spreading, information about every country among the people of every other country in the union, to facilitate and stimulate intercourse, trade, acquaintance, good understanding, fellowship and sympathy. For this purpose it has established in Washington a bureau of office under the direction of a governing board composed of the official representatives in Washington of all the republics, and having a director and secretaries, with a force of assistants and translators and clerks."

"The bureau has established a rapidly increasing library of history, travel, description, statistics and literature of the American nations. It publishes a monthly bulletin of current public events and existing conditions in all the united countries, which is circulated in every country. It carries on an enormous correspondence with every part of both continents, answering the questions of seekers for information about the laws, customs, conditions, opportuni-

ties and personnel of the different countries; and it has become a medium of introduction and guidance for international intercourse."

"The governing board is also a permanent committee charged with the duty of seeing that the resolutions of each Pan-American conference are carried out and that suitable preparation is made for the next succeeding conference."

"The increasing work of the bureau has greatly outgrown the facilities of its cramped quarters on Pennsylvania avenue, and now at the close of its second decade and under the influence of the great movement of awakened sympathy between the American republics, the union stands upon the threshold of more ample opportunity for the prosecution of its beneficent activity."

International Friendship.

"Many noble and beautiful public buildings record the achievements and illustrate the impulses of modern civilization. Temples of religion, of patriotism, of learning, of art, of justice abound; but this structure will stand alone, the first of its kind—a temple dedicated to international friendship. It will be devoted to the diffusion of that international knowledge which dispels national prejudice and liberalizes national judgment. Here will be fostered the growth of that sympathy born of similarity in good impulses and noble purposes, which draws men of different races and countries together into a community of nations, and counteracts the tendency of selfish instincts to array nations against each other as enemies. From this source shall spring mutual helpfulness between all the American republics, so that the best knowledge and experience and courage and hope of every republic shall lend power to sustain and strengthen every other in its struggle to work out its problems and to advance the standard of liberty and peace with justice within itself, and so that no people in all of these continents, however oppressed and discouraged, however impoverished and torn by disorder, shall fail to feel that they are not alone in the world, or shall fail to see that for them a better day may dawn, as for others the sun has already risen."

"It is too much to expect that there will not be controversies between American nations to whose desire for harmony we now bear witness; but to every controversy will apply the truth that there are no international controversies so serious that they can not be settled peaceably if both parties really desire peaceable settlement, while there are few causes of dispute so trifling that they can not be made the occasion of war if either party really desires war. The matters in dispute between nations are nothing; the spirit which deals with them is everything."

"The graceful courtesy of the twenty republics who have agreed upon the capital of the United States for the home of this international union, the deep appreciation of that courtesy shown by the American government and this representative American citizen, and the work to be done within the walls that are to rise on this site, can not fail to be powerful influences towards the creation of a spirit that will solve all disputed questions of the future and preserve the peace of the western world."

"May the structure now begun stand for many generations to come as the visible evidence of mutual respect, esteem, appreciation, and kindly feeling between the peoples of all the republics; may pleasant memories of hospitality and friendship gather about it, and may all the Americas come to feel that for them this place is home, for it is theirs, the product of a common effort and the instrument of a common purpose."

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